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Applicant(s): Tsutomu OHSHIMO et al

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AND SUBSTRATE TRANSPORTING DEVICE
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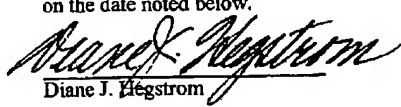
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RESPONSE- 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 29,
2006, the term for response to which expires on October 29, 2006.

ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect Invention II (Claims 9 and 10) for
further prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

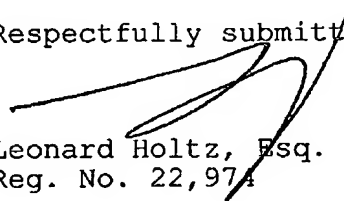
It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits
now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully
responsive to the outstanding Office Action.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



October 25, 2006

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